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### FEPC SCANDAL

#### An Editorial

Tremendous united pressure from the people—North and South—forced 48 Senators to sign a cloture petition to close debate and force a vote on the FEPC bill.

But its introduction was arbitrarily ruled out of order by the decadent president pro tem of the Senate, Sen. Kenneth McKellar (D-Tenn).

Where are the voices of the Senators who signed the petition?

Silent!

Neither Democrats or Republicans got up on their hind legs to challenge the arrogant ruling of McKellar.

Sen. Barkley expresses "regretful disappointment" with his colleague, McKellar.

The Senators sit back as if McKellar's dictatorial act signifies the end of the road for the fight to outlaw race prejudice in employment.

Where is the voice of President Truman?

Silent!

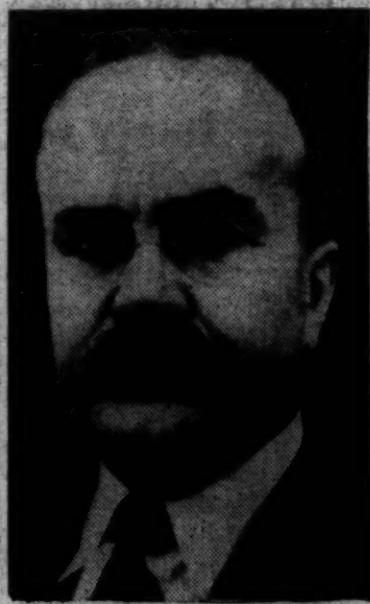
The President does not see fit to condemn the filibusterers, who are members of his own party. He is seemingly undisturbed by the acts of a feudal-minded minority who spread fascist doctrines over the land.

Is the cloture petition to be window-dressing for a betrayal of a permanent FEPC?

The people—especially labor—in no uncertain terms should show that their vigilance is keen—that no deals, no recommitting of the bill nor its replacement by other legislation shall be permitted. Passage of the FEPC, halting the filibuster is the Senate's responsibility, as well as that of the President of the United States. The need for public pressure is greater than ever.

It can win!

### Molotov Warns:



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Foreign Commissar, USSR

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# Say U.S. Planes Will Hit Guerillas in Spain

Spanish anti-fascists, now living in France appealed yesterday to American public opinion against the sale of five C-47 planes to the government of "Butcher Franco."

In a wire to the Daily Worker, the Communist leader Antonio Mije charged that the C-47s could readily be converted for military use and would unquestionably help Franco in the rising battles with the Spanish underground guerilla movement.

At the same time, Mije appealed for help to prevent the execution of Cristino Garcia Grande, an organizer of the French FFI who was recently caught inside Spain.

Jose Giral, head of the present government-in-exile has also urged that the United States and Britain intercede for Garcia's life.

The man who sentenced Garcia to death was Munoz Grande, leader of Franco's Blue Legion which fought the Red Army with the Reichswehr. Grande is wanted by the USSR as a war criminal.

The sale of the five C-47s was revealed on Jan. 29 by U. S. officials of the Foreign Liquidation Commission. Franco's Iberian Airways also got 12 aircraft engines, bulldozers and other machinery.

# UNO Shelves Greek Dispute On Motion by Vishinsky

The bitter Security Council dispute over British policy in Greece was shelved last night, when the Soviet delegate, Andrei Vishinsky, agreed to withdraw his formal charges against Britain, and Ernest Bevin, British foreign secretary, backed down from his previous demand for a formal vindication.

Vishinsky had said that he would accept the following course:

1—The Council would take no formal action or pass any formal resolution.

2—Norman J. O. Makin Australian president of the Council, would make a statement incorporating declarations on Greece made by the USSR, Britain, Greece, United States, France, China, Egypt and the Netherlands.

"We do not insist," Vishinsky said, "that the declaration by Mr. Makin should mention that the situation in connection with the presence of British troops constitute a danger to peace and we do not insist that the declaration should mention that British troops should leave Greece."

Earlier in the day, the British Cabinet had rejected a compromise proposal which failed to vindicate British policy but after studying Vishinsky's offer, Bevin announced acceptance.

United Press quoted him as saying: "I am anxious to see the end of this quarrel between the great Soviet republic and Britain."

United States chief delegate Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., said that he was willing to accept Vishinsky's proposal but that "I wish to make it clear that my remarks of several days ago stand."

The remarks were that he did not believe British troops threatened peace.

The Soviet vice foreign commissar announced his action at a prolonged meeting of the Security Council after rejecting a compromise proposed by Makin.

The Security Council was due to meet at 9 p.m. But 15 minutes afterward Big Three chief delegates had not shown up and it was evident they were seeking a new last-minute compromise.

## Peron Machine Calls Rail Strike

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 6 (UP).—Transportation between this capital and the rest of Buenos Aires province was paralyzed today because of a 24-hour strike by supporters of presidential candidate Juan D. Peron.

# Molotov Blasts British Support Of Anti-Democratic Armies

LONDON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Foreign Commissar Viacheslav Molotov, in a speech broadcast by Radio Moscow, attacked the maintenance of German armed forces in the British zone in Germany, the Polish anti-government army in Italy and a Czarist Russian rifle corps in Austria.



Mrs. FDR Has the Floor: Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, U. S. delegate to the UNO General Assembly, is holding an informal meeting in a London hotel with women delegates from nine countries.

# Soviets Lash Uruguay; Balk Save-Nazis Move

LONDON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Uruguay today temporarily withdrew a proposal of clemency for Nuernberg war criminals after a heated exchange between Uruguayan and Soviet delegates.

Soviet UNO delegate Andrei I. Gromyko declared the Nazis "are going to pay with their lives whether defended or not."

Gromyko asserted before the UNO steering committee that even discussion of the Uruguayan proposal—that war criminals be spared from the death sentence and given only life sentences—would be "an insult to the honest and sincere peoples of the world."

The proposal, introduced belatedly to the UNO general assembly yesterday, came up at a steering committee today. Uruguayan delegate Benjamin Fernandez y Medina

temporarily withdrew the proposal and agreed to ask his government for new instructions.

Delegate Dmitri Manuilski of the Soviet Ukraine declared:

"If this proposal had not come from a member of the United Nations, I would have believed it came from a German."

"I wonder if the delegate for Uruguay is aware that in the fight for Kiev 127,000 men, women and children were assassinated? In many other cities of my country, it is not by the hundreds nor by the thousands that we count the victims—but by the millions."

"I wonder if he knows what gas chambers mean or what the concentration camp at Auschwitz (Oswiecim) means, and I wonder if he knows that at that camp thousands of pairs of shoes belonging to assassinated children were found?"

"I consider this proposal a deep wound inflicted on the conscience of Europe."

# C. P. Board Asks Browder Expulsion

The National Board of the Communist Party, at a meeting on Monday, Feb. 5, unanimously recommended to the National Committee, which will meet on Feb. 12, that Earl Browder should be expelled from the Communist Party.

The text of the statement of the National Board follows:

The National Board by unanimous action, has decided to recommend to the National Committee the expulsion of Earl Browder from the ranks of the Communist Party.

In the six months since the National Convention, which repudiated Browder's revisionism and reconstituted our Party on Marxist-Leninist foundations, Earl Browder has continuously resisted the program and decisions of the Convention and has steadily turned from obstructive passivity to active opposition to the political line and leadership of the Party. He has violated his pledge to the National Convention to place himself at the disposal of the Party and, by refusing to accept any assignment from the Party, has violated Party discipline and deserted Communist duties and responsibilities. He has carried on factional activity and a campaign of unprincipled attacks against the leadership of our Party and of our brother French Party. Finally, in violation of elementary discipline and responsibility consonant with membership in the Party, he has established a journal of "economic analyses" which serves him as a political organ to expound his revisionist policy and combat the general line of the Party.

The decision of the National Board to recommend the expulsion of Browder is based on the following considerations:

(1) Earl Browder's conduct from the time of the Convention to the National Committee meeting of November. At that meeting, in the report of the National Board submitted by Comrade Eugene Dennis, Browder's conduct was thus characterized:

"Unfortunately, after the Convention, Comrade Browder repudiated his pledge to the National Convention; he did not and does not accept the program or decisions of the Convention; he remains aloof from all or any Party responsibility; and, further, at the hearings of the House un-American Committee, Browder adopted an equivocal attitude, assumed the role of a 'private citizen' and failed to utilize various opportunities actively to defend the policies and the line of the Party. Browder's position compromises the Party; it acts as a millstone on the Party; it has fostered passivity, has confused and demobilized certain comrades and has impaired the unity of our Party. It is clear that Browder's persistence in this position will be incompatible with his further membership in our Party."

(2) Browder's anti-Party conduct from the National Committee meeting to date.

In the space of these three months Browder refused to heed the repeated warnings of the National Board and National Committee. Instead he has passed over from being a passive opponent to an active opponent of the Party. This is evident, among other things, by the following facts:

(a) After the National Committee meeting in November, 1945, and without the Party's approval, Browder embarked on a "business" undertaking, the publication of *Distributors Guide, Inc.* This is an organ of expression in which he acts as an advisor to Big Business, along a political line that coincides with the interests of the employers and of American imperialism. In this publication, Browder presents a political platform in which he has developed his re-

visionism of Marxism to an open defense of American imperialism and unreserved support for the entire policy of the Truman Administration, including its imperialist course in foreign affairs. Through this publication, which is a weapon of struggle with which he opposes and attacks the political line of the Party, Browder is working to establish contact, not only with various members, in the Party and with trade union leaders in this country, but also with leaders of brother Parties in this hemisphere.

(b) During the past two weeks it has been called to the attention of the National Board that Browder has further violated Party principles and discipline. He has endeavored to broaden his contacts with individual members and sympathizers of the Party; and in these conversations Browder arrogantly defends his anti-Marxist position and views, attacks the political line and decisions of the Party, slanders Comrade Foster and the entire national leadership, and attempts to involve certain comrades in his anti-Party conspiracy.

(c) Browder refused to meet with the National Secretariat on Jan. 29 to answer questions of fact relevant to the above. However, he did meet subsequently with the executive committee of Yonkers Communist Club and submitted a letter addressed to all members of the Communist Party. In this letter he again slanders and misrepresents the line and actions of the Party and advances a new document as a basis for waging a factional struggle within the Party.

(d) Further, at the meeting of the National Board on Feb. 5, where Browder was given a hearing to reply to the specific charges preferred against him for his expulsion—Browder cynically refused to reply to the charges or to answer any questions. He challenged the authority of the Board to ask him oral questions. Indifferent to his membership in the Party, and confronted with concrete evidence of his disloyalty to the Party, of his violation of Party principles and discipline—Browder resorted to the cheap trick of a petty-fogging lawyer. He tried to stall for time and stated that he would only reply to questions which were submitted to him in writing and after he had extended time to prepare a written document that obviously would be used to serve his factional and anti-Party purposes. Browder did not have the forthrightness and honesty to answer the questions concerning irrefutable and damaging facts which were directed to him.

For these and related acts detrimental to the interests and welfare of the Party, Browder has placed himself outside the ranks of the Communist Party and the working class movement. He has forsaken the right to belong to the Party and must be expelled forthwith.

All members of our Party will understand that the struggle against Browder and Browderism has entered a new stage. It is no longer a struggle against a member of, or a trend in the Party and in the labor movement. It is now a struggle against an active opponent of the Party, against an enemy-class ideology and platform. Browder's desertion and his political warfare against our Party, against Marxism-Leninism, will be answered by the unity of the entire Party and of all advanced workers to drive his ideology.

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# L.I. Cop Slays 2 Negroes; Citizens' Group Asks Probe

By HARRY RAYMOND

**FREEPORT, L. I., Feb. 6.**—A thorough investigation of the brutal shooting to death of a soldier and a civilian, and the wounding of a U.S. Navy sailor, all Negroes, by a local policeman early yesterday, was demanded by a group of outraged citizens here today. The three Negroes, brothers, were shot by Patrolman Joseph Romeika near the Freeport bus terminal at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday. The trigger-happy cop said he fired when Private Charles R. Fergusson, 27, one of the

dead men, reached for a non-existent .45-calibre gun.

The other dead man is Alfonzo Fergusson, 25, of 93 Bennett Ave., Roosevelt, a village near here. Seaman Third Class Joseph Fergusson, 20, received a bullet wound in his shoulder and is in Lido Beach Navy Hospital. Policeman Romeika, a rookie on the force since last June, said he turned his blazing gun on the Negroes after he was called by Gus Scholakis, owner of the Terminal Tea Room, a restaurant in the bus terminal. Scholakis said the Negroes had been "disorderly" and had "insulted" him.

Richard Fergusson, another brother, who was with the group, was arrested and sentenced yesterday to 100 days in the Nassau County jail on a charge of disorderly conduct after a brief police court trial in which he had no attorneys or witnesses.

Aroused by what they called "a wanton shooting," a delegation of 24 leading local citizens visited Police Chief Peter Elar this afternoon. Elar had exonerated the cop, stating he had done his duty.

The delegation, headed by Elihu Burman, local attorney, asked the Police Chief to launch an immediate investigation of the killing and to suspend the policeman until final disposition of the case. Elar told the group he had investigated and would take no further action. He said the matter was closed so far as his department was concerned, and the only action on the matter would be a grand jury hearing next Tuesday.

District Attorney James M. Gehrig, announcing the pending of the grand jury action, said the matter would be "routine."

Immediately after the shooting, Freeport police, acting on instruction of Chief Elar, threw a heavy cordon around the bus terminal and stationed men with tommyguns and tear gas at the strategic points. A lynch atmosphere hovered over the area as Elar stated he had taken this action to offset a "possible uprising of local Negroes."

## PLAN FURTHER ACTION

The delegation, composed of both white and Negro citizens, left the Municipal Building voicing dissatisfaction with Elar's position. Members of the group said they planned further action to get to the bottom of the case.

During the hearing at police headquarters, members of the delegation pointed to Jimcrow conditions in the city, cited the existence of a Jimcrow school and insisted that the atmosphere surrounding the case, and the conditions under which Negroes live here, were contributing factors to what happened Tuesday morning.

They pointed out that the dead soldier, who was on furlough here from Greensboro, N. C., had a good military record and had just recently re-enlisted in the Army, after serving overseas. He left behind him a wife and three small children. His children are Wilfred, 2; Richard, 3; and Charles, 5.

One member of the delegation, Alexander Coleman, a Freeport mechanic, said he was not surprised that trouble developed in the bus station tearoom. He recited an incident of two years ago, when he entered the tea room with a Negro who was refused service.

The argument between the Negroes and the tearoom owner which led to the fatal shootings was said by relatives of the Fergussons to have developed over the refusal of Scholakis to serve them.

Included in the delegation that demanded action from the police were Mrs. Bradley-Smith, of the

Freeport Community Council; Wiley Simmons, of Local 450, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers; Stanley Pauker, National Lawyers Guild; David B. Adam, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and Rev. Wesley N. Haines of Interfaith Community Council.

John Lavin, executive secretary of the Nassau County Communist Party, characterized the police action as "a shocking murder in cold blood" having "the odor of the deep south."

The CP statement demanded the immediate dismissal of Patrolman Romeika and his indictment for murder of the two Negroes.

## UNO Asked to Brand Franco

**LONDON, Feb. 6 (UP).**—The Panamanian delegation submitted a resolution today calling on the United Nations Organization to denounce formally the government of Generalissimo Francisco Franco in Spain.

It was the first formal move against Franco made at the present UNO session, although the Panamanian delegate has repeatedly denounced the Franco regime in committee meetings. The resolution was given to the Secretary General's office, and is expected to be handled by the steering committee.

Panama was understood to have framed the resolution in cooperation with Spanish Republican leaders in London.

The resolution quoted the San Francisco conference statement recommending that governments created with Axis help be barred from the United Nations. It also cited the Big Three's denunciation of the Franco regime at Potsdam.

## Map Single U. S. Maritime Union

By Federated Press

**WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.**—Plans to form a single national union of maritime workers were approved here today by representatives of seven organizations, representing over 200,000 seamen, licensed officers, longshoremen and harbor workers.

The group closed a three-day meeting with a call to a convention in San Francisco, beginning May 6, to select a name and structure for the new union.

Participating in the meeting were the American Communications Association (CIO); Inland Boatmen's Union (CIO); International Longshoremen & Warehousemen's Union (CIO); National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards Association (CIO); Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders and Wipers (unaffiliated); The National Marine Engineers Beneficial Association (CIO); and the National Maritime (CIO).

Other unions will be asked to attend the San Francisco convention, including the Seamen's Union of the Pacific (AFL); Seafarer's International Union (AFL); and the Masters, Mates and Pilots (AFL).

Joseph Curran, president of the ALMU, told newsmen the affiliating unions are to be guaranteed certain autonomies, continuance of their names, control of their finances, and authority over their affairs.

The national organization will act on national strikes, agreements, research, political action, publicity and educational matters.

Curran said, "We are not going to conduct any drive against any legitimate labor organizations. We are not going in for any type of raiding. We are set with the hope we can unify the maritime section of the labor movement."

Until the convention acts, the

new national union will be unaffiliated with the CIO or ALF, Curran explained, adding that the CIO loses no strength by this.

Members of the steering committee sitting with Curran during the press conference were Sam Hogen, president of the MEBU; Hugh Bryson, vice-president of the MC&S; Jack Winocur and Harry Morgan, ACA; Vincent J. Malone, president, MPOW; Ralph Goldsmith, of IBU; and Harry R. Bridges, president and J. R. Robertson, vice-president, ILWU.

Plans, subject to ratification by memberships, call for election of a president, one or more vice-presidents, and a secretary-treasurer, by referendum votes. A national council would consist of the national officers and at least one member of each organization, with one vote for each organization.

## Say Mich. Governor Skipped Vets Needs

**DETROIT, Feb. 6.**—The Veterans Department of the CIO Auto Workers Union today had sharply criticized Gov. Harry Kelly for failing to give deserved attention to vets' needs in his message to the Michigan Legislature.

The UAW ex-servicemen stressed a state bonus, housing and state-furnished medical care as proposals Gov. Kelly should have mentioned, but didn't.

Labor and veteran organizations will send delegations to Lansing to press these demands Sunday.

## City CIO Unions Gird for Mass Strike Monday

Support for the 2-hour work stoppage called by CIO for Monday, Feb. 11, continued to mount yesterday as individual unions pledged their memberships would turn out in full.

The stoppage, culminating in a mass rally near Western Union at West Broadway and Franklin St., will demonstrate New York City's support for wage demands and against police strikebreaking and the use of court injunctions against labor.

Yesterday CIO unions in shipyard, shoe, furniture and the wholesale and retail industries said their members would be out in force.

A complete shutdown by 10,000 workers in 175 shoe factories in the city was pledged by J. Rosenberg, manager of Joint Council 113 United Shoe Workers, CIO.

Wholesale & Warehouse Workers Union, Local 65, announced that its 1,000 members would quit work at 4 o'clock, assemble at Duane St. and West Broadway.

Local 76-B, United Furniture Workers, pledged a complete shutdown in more than 100 furniture plants scattered throughout the city and said that similar action is expected in the upholstery and drapery divisions of the union.

The New York District of the State, County and Municipal Workers, called upon all of its members to go directly from work to the demonstration Monday.

## Tugmen Vote to Continue Strike; Mayor Declares Emergency in City

The City's striking tugmen yesterday voted to remain on strike despite government seizure of the port's 400 tugboats and motor barges owned by 91 towing companies. At a closed, 4-hour emergency meeting

in Manhattan Center, approximately 2,000 of the 3,500 on strike voted 451 to 250 not to return to work.

The small vote was later explained by citing the strict local union rule requiring paid up dues. But the trend of the vote "surprised" Joseph P. Ryan, lifelong, \$20,000 yearly president of the International Longshoremen's Union, to which the striking Local 333 is affiliated.

Later last night Mayor O'Dwyer declared a state of emergency throughout the city. The Mayor's proclamation ordered a wartime "brown-out" and banned delivery of depleted fuel stocks to all places of

amusement and to all commercial or industrial establishments not related to "public health or safety" or to schools.

Meanwhile, Lawrence C. Turner of the seizing Office of Defense Transportation last night announced that he had requested Army and Navy authorities to man the boats. When this was relayed to Capt. William Bradley, president of Local 333, Bradley "expressed doubt" that civilian crews working for the Army and Navy would man the tugs. Civilian crews are union members, he said.

The tugmen's decision was the first of its kind by organized labor

in government seizure attempts to end strikes. Immediately after the meeting, strike strategy committees got going, and plans were made for putting two picket boats at Pier 11, East River.

The Manhattan Center meeting, which specifically barred reporters because of distorted press stories, heard City Fuel Administrator Albert Pleydell and Judge Edward C. Maguire, O'Dwyer's labor adviser, who, according to persons leaving the hall, urged the strikers to go back to work.

Other persons reported to have spoken were Capt. Bradley and Thomas Murray, president of the New York State AFL.

Staten Island ferries may be halted because of the fuel shortage, city officials reported.



# Mass. CIO to Down Tools for 2 Hours Tuesday

## Demand Change in Jobless Pay Law to Give Strikers Benefits

Special to the Daily Worker

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—One hundred forty thousand Massachusetts CIO members will "pull the pin" for two hours next Tuesday in a demonstration supporting all wage strikes and demanding unemployment insurance for strikers.

The stoppage will involve all but workers engaged in vital services. It will demand passage of a bill

law bars striking workers from drawing unemployment insurance.

The stoppage will begin at 3 p.m. and at 3.30 a rally will be held at the State House.

In the Boston area the clothing, furniture, steel, electrical and rubber industries will be affected. Throughout the state textile plants will shut down during the stoppage period.

The bill to amend the Massachusetts Unemployment Insurance law was filed Jan. 30 by Sen. Stephen

F. Laughlin of Worcester. It would make strikers eligible for benefits after four weeks on strike. Because it was filed two weeks after the Jan. 11 deadline, it must be approved by the Rules committee of both legislative bodies before it can be admitted.

Joseph Salerno, president of the Massachusetts CIO said yesterday that the Laughlin bill would make the Massachusetts unemployment insurance law similar to those in

New York and Pennsylvania.

There are approximately 50,000 workers in this state now on strike for wage increases.

## School Board Rejects 6,000 Quinn Protests

The Board of Education yesterday wouldn't take 6,000 petitions asking that May Quinn be fired for teaching prejudice, but Purple Heart veteran Moses C. Weinman left them in the Board's lap anyway.

The petitions had been brought to the Board meeting earlier by Johannes Steel, candidate for Congress in the 19th district, and a delegation of 40 mothers. The meeting was jammed with spectators.

Weinman refused to take the two bound volumes of signatures despite efforts of a court attendant to thrust them on him.

Organization which gathered the signatures included Americans United for World Organization; American Jewish War Veterans; Veterans Committee Against Discrimination; Veterans and W. I. V. E. S.; Brooklyn Committee Against Bigotry; Bedford-Stuyvesant and Williamsburg Schools Council, and parents' organizations from schools.

Mr. Steel, who was forced to leave for a radio broadcast before session opened, told reporters:

"This is the way it started in Germany and Italy. The Board of Education had better make up its mind. I don't think the people of New York will accept a whitewash."

# Tiger Sues to Bar Johannes Steel; ALP Asks 'Let Vets Vote'

In a panicky move to block opposition in the special election of the 19th Congressional District, Tammany Hall yesterday started proceedings to remove Johannes Steel, American Labor Party choice, from the ballot.

The progressive radio commentator and author is a popular candidate with Manhattan's East Side voters where the election takes place Feb. 19. The Democrat's nominee is former Congressman Arthur G. Klein.

Hyman M. Glickstein, chairman of the law committee of the New York ALP committee, yesterday called the maneuver "a narrow and misguided effort to disfranchise the voters." On his request, Supreme Court Justice William C. Hecht, Jr., adjourned the case until today, in order to give the ALP time to prepare its answer. Papers were served on the ALP Tuesday night.

Although Jacob Markowitz, chairman of Tammany's law committee, declined to give specific grounds for the move pending trial, it appears the Democrats are basing their case on Steel's legal name.

"The technicality on which the proceeding is based," said Glickstein, "is trivial and absurd on its face and reflects the panic of the Democratic organization in the 19th Congressional District."

Registration records reveal that Steel first registered in 1940 as Herbert J. Steel, 333 W. 57th St. He registered in 1944 and 1945 as Johannes Steel from the same address.

Glickstein also presented an ALP plea in behalf of ex-serviceman Solomon Laufer of 15 Attorney St., on the right of veterans to vote whether or not they registered in 1945. The Board of Elections maintains that the election law which permitted special registration for servicemen during the war no longer applies. In its precedent case, the ALP holds that the Board is misinterpreting the law.

The ALP petition also contained a plea for the right of civilians to vote whether or not they registered in 1945.

Markowitz asked in court whether the Democrats would join in the petition. When questioned by Glickstein whether they would join in the plea for the veterans' vote, Markowitz said the Democrats want to get the benefits from the proceed-

ings but that they do not believe veterans are entitled to vote under the law. Thereupon Glickstein refused to permit them to join in the petition.

Supreme Court Justice Hecht, Jr., agreed to consider the ALP memorandum and render a decision today.

## Put State School Here—Cacchione

Councilman Peter V. Cacchione yesterday urged that the state subsidized university, now under discussion, built in or around New York City.

He pointed out that upstate areas discriminate against Negroes, Jews and Italians, and that these students would be unable to find proper living accommodations outside of the city or its environs.

In addition, the Communist Councilman said, 70 to 85 of the discriminated groups live in New York City, Westchester, Nassau and Suffolk counties. The students who come from low-income groups have to find part-time work, he stated. Unless a university is located in or around New York City, these students could not earn a livelihood, he declared.

## Wants to Be King of Bavaria

MUNICH, Feb. 6.—Prince Albrecht of Bavaria urged in an interview today that Bavaria be given a chance to vote on its future form of government.

Albrecht indicated thereby his wish to become king in a monarchist movement which would mask as an anti-Prussian campaign.

## Dockers Insist Board Uphold Davis Award

Upholding of the \$1.50-per-hour award of Arbitrator Davis, was demanded of the War Stabilization Board in a resolution passed at an emergency meeting of longshoremen last night.

The resolution read:

Whereas, the shipowners have broken their promise to accept the award of arbitrator Davis, and;

Whereas they have petitioned the Wage Stabilization Board to cut our pay from \$1.50 an hour as provided by the Board to \$1.39 an hour, and;

Whereas, it is urgent that immediate action be taken to inform the Wage Stabilization Board of the opposition of the longshoremen to any change in the Jan. 1 award;

Therefore, be it resolved that this conference constitute itself as a provisional longshoremen's conference for the apportioning of the award, and that a delegation be sent to the War Stabilization Board on Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m., and;

Be it further resolved that the longshoremen be invited to 299 Broadway to back up the strike.

# Wallace Backs J. Steel As Anti-Fascist Fighter

Secretary of Commerce Henry Wallace is backing Johannes Steel for Congress, it was announced yesterday.

Wallace's letter of support for the American Labor Party candidate in the by-election in the New York 19th Congressional District was released by the New York Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

The committee, through Carl Van Doren, its chairman, also announced its support of Steel.

In his letter to Steel, Secretary Wallace said:

"I have just learned of your entry into politics. To my mind you have carried on the fight against worldwide fascism with great courage and determination and against great difficulties on behalf of the common man. Men like you in public life could render great service to our nation in the troublesome years ahead. I wish you all success."

Participation of the arts, sciences and professions group in Mr. Steel's campaign will include a district-wide mass rally, neighborhood canvassing and special radio programs, Van Doren said.

## Vets to Go to Albany

### DELEGATIONS SET FOR TUESDAY HEARING

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, Feb. 6.—CIO unions from all over the state are preparing to send delegations of veterans to the hearing on veterans' problems here next Tuesday afternoon.

The hearing is called by the bi-

partisan committee set up to handle measures affecting veterans. Vet problems have dominated the legislative session thus far.

All vet organizations, as well as many trade unions, will have their spokesmen at the hearing. Several groups of striking ex-servicemen, both from upstate and from the city, are also preparing to attend.

So far interest centers on the bonus issue. Spokesmen for union veterans, however, are warning against concentrating all attention on the bonus. They maintain that jobs, housing, health education and a liberal loan policy should also be tackled at the hearing.

These problems, they insist, can be solved only through passage of such measures as the Martin-Isacson full employment bill, the 65-cent minimum wage bill, a comprehensive health insurance bill, etc.

Veterans coming from picket lines are expected to demand passage of the Pino-Isacson bill to eliminate the seven weeks' waiting period in jobless pay for strikers. The bill is languishing in the Senate and Assembly labor committees, headed by Sen. William Condon and Assemblyman Fred Washburn.

## Johannes Steel Campaign Alarms Old Parties

### ALP VICTORY WOULD INCREASE LABOR'S INDEPENDENCE

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, Feb. 6.—Leaders of both major parties are watching the congressional by-election in Manhattan's 19th district with interest.

The significant factor is the independent position of the American Labor Party, which is running Johannes Steel against candidates of both major parties.

Democratic leaders are concerned that an ALP victory may mean greater independence on the part of the labor party, which has had a tendency in the past to back the Democrats uncritically and sometimes unqualifiedly.

Republicans are concerned be-

cause they recognize that such a victory will encourage and stimulate the forces of labor and progress in the state.

### EFFECT IN ALBANY

One important by-product of the special election will be the position of Assemblyman Leo Isacson, lone American Laborite in the Legislature. Isacson has won prestige through his forceful presentation of ALP policies on the floor of the Legislature. But he has had to conduct a war for recognition.

An undercover fight, for instance, has been raging in connection with his relation to the "bi-partisan" committee on veterans' affairs. Isacson insisted the committee be made nonpartisan by his

own addition to it.

At first he was told by Speaker Oswald D. Heck that as "leader" of his party he was entitled to ex-officio membership on all committees. Apparently, however, word from Gov. Dewey's office changed Heck's mind. Isacson was merely "invited" to sit in on veterans' committee meetings.

A victory for Steel will undoubtedly strengthen the assemblyman's position in Albany.

A bill bearing directly on the by-election was passed by both houses yesterday. It extends closing time of polls in special elections from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. It will have to be signed soon by the Governor to become operative by Feb. 19.

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# 2 Train Strikers Killed, 3 Wounded As Company Thugs Fire Into Pickets

GRIDLEY, Ill., Feb. 6 (UP).—Striking railway pickets and private guards fought with pistols and stones at a railroad grade crossing today. Two pickets were killed and three were wounded. John Ritter, assistant chief of state police, said the shots were fired by members of the train crew. It was a bloody renewal of the longstanding bitter battle between three Railroad Brotherhoods and the management of the Toledo, Peoria and Western Railroad, a "feeder" line operating across Central Illinois. The Brotherhoods of Trainmen, Firemen and Engineers have been on strike for four months—since the line was returned to its owners by the government which operated it during the war.

## The Man Behind The Shootings

By SHERILL GRAEME

METAMORA, Ill., Feb. 6.—George P. McNear, president of the Toledo, Peoria and Western Railroad, is a rabid labor hater. He stands six-foot-four, and is heavy. He swings an eternal brief case, and tries to over-ride everyone by his swaggering, pushing size. A string of continually changing lawyers follow at his heels. He is camera shy.

He landed in Peoria, Ill., with no more than \$5,000 to his personal credit; he had been a broker on Wall Street. Some Wall Street concern financed him so he could buy a whole railroad—just like that!

The T. P. & W. is only 235 miles long. It was supposed to be bankrupt. But it is a valuable link between larger railroads in Illinois. The loan was one-and-a-half million. He since sold a part for one-half million.

McNear apparently thought he had bought the railroad workers along with the rails and boxcars. He refused to recognize the Railway Labor Act. He would not give the workers a contract. He paid wages way below the level of other local railroad men and delighted in breaking down the seniority rights of old faithful workers. So the men struck.

### THUGS BRING HIGH PROFITS

McNear used thugs with firearms against the strikers. He got a Federal injunction against them, in 1942. The government then took over the railroads and paid standard wages. The government earned seven million dollars for McNear in four years. Seven million dollars profit for one man in four years on one million dollars that McNear brought in. And the McNear master brains were on the shelf!

This McNear says no workingman is entitled to more than \$1 a day. When the government gave him back his plaything, he im-

mediately reduced wages. And the men continued their strike for a contract and seniority rights.

When McNear's strikebreakers some time ago shot into the crowd, hurting one man on a busy road, the police claimed they could not find the man who did the shooting. His name is Payne and he is an ex-convict, and McNear gives him \$350 a month plus \$3 a day expense money.

And the wives of this group of struggling men? They wait at home, wondering if their men will be shot that day. And while they wait, they are turning into determined political workers against Governor Green.

McNear has been trying to hire servicemen, offers them big official titles and big wages, but they stay only a few days.

The farmers' marketing associations along the T. P. & W. have collected \$10,000 to sue McNear because they could not get their crops to market.

We asked if McNear had ever paid off his loan and were told he had not. An AFL railroad worker also told us most railroads were bankrupt, yet were taking in large amounts of money, which is also queer. What's back of it?

Why could McNear borrow 1 1/2 millions with no security? Did he really borrow it or is he a bluffing puppet tied to real owners on Wall St. Is Wall Street crowding out the real owners, the small stockholders, in this manner?

The strike was called by the Brotherhoods Oct. 1 when the federal government relinquished its wartime control, operative since 1942.

W. E. Froelich, mayor and undertaker of Gridley, said the battle started when about 50 men tried to stop the train. He said bricks were thrown at the train, breaking windows in the cabooses.

George P. McNear, Jr., president of the line is a bitter opponent of the Brotherhoods and caused the government seizure in refusing to obey a WLB directive to deal with the unions.

"I am terribly sorry anyone was killed," McNear said. "I don't know the circumstances of the shooting, but I think it is a shame we can't go ahead and operate our trains."

## VETS' VOICE



• Fresh Blood in the Old Organizations

By JOSEPH CLARK

Shall I join a veterans organization? If so, which one? After the war was over our Battalion newspaper asked some of the men and most of them weren't too interested. But

the guys usually added a P.S. When they got home they thought they would join.

A few of the fellows had already joined the Veterans of Foreign Wars. It appealed to them because it accepted servicemen and also because it consisted of overseas vets. There was some sharp criticism of the American Legion. Many felt that it was not democratic, too tightly controlled by the old line leaders.

Some of the men had heard of new organizations, like the American Veterans Committee.

With more than half of the 12,000,000 GIs out of the army, navy, marines, have the guys been "joining up?"

There has been a marked increase in the membership of the established vet organizations. The Legion has recruited about 600,000 new members. New VFW members are estimated around the same level. The Jewish War Veterans has recruited about 135,000 World War II vets. Disabled American Veterans has also shown a marked increase.

What about the new ones? Amvets and American Veterans Committee have shown slow growth.

The influx of new vets in the established organizations has already influenced those groups.

Following Commander John Stelle's blast against the Veterans Administration, there was great protest from Legion Posts and Legionnaires. It is rumored that the Legion executive committee may oust Stelle.

Important too, was a resolution passed by the Bismarck, N. D., post of the Legion protesting the award given by the Legion leadership to

William Randolph Hearst. Other posts have made similar protests including some Legion industrial posts.

Philip Murray, chairman of the CIO, gave some advice to labor veterans, in an address to the last convention of the American Legion. He said that labor would urge vets to join their unions and also to join veterans organizations.

Many trade unionists and progressives are joining the big veterans organizations despite their opposition to the reactionary leaders. In fact they feel they can prevent the Tory-minded politicians from controlling the veterans movement by joining their buddies in the Legion, VFW, etc.

In at least one respect the new vets are going to be a progressive force in the major vet organizations. They are faced by common problems like housing, jobs, job training, overcrowded schools, medical care. There is a growing need and demand for a bonus. There is widespread realization that a higher standard of living for workers, farmers and the common people means jobs and a better chance for the veterans.

Trade unions sparkplugged the vets demobilization fight. Labor was clearer in its demands to get the men home from non-enemy lands than the vet organizations. The Legion and the VFW were not as sensitive to the GI protests as the unions. Charles Bolte of the AVC missed the point of the overseas demonstrations. He said they were a sign of isolationism. He "forgot" that the GIs favored occupation of enemy lands to suppress fascism but opposed reactionary intervention in China and the Philippines.

## ATTENTION!! ALL CLUBS MANHATTAN COMMUNISTS

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# Change the World

by Mike Gold

WHEN labor sings it is a sign it has retained its idealism. Business labor unionism as developed by Gompers, Dubinsky and the Umbrella Mike Boyles never had a place for people's songs in its coarse, mercenary dictatorship.

"The people are on the march and must have songs to sing. Now, in 1946, truth must reassert itself in many singing voices." is the opening word of a monthly bulletin issued by a new organization, People's Songs, Inc.

I didn't hear much of this singing on the picket lines in the Pittsburgh steel empire. American labor hasn't done too much singing since the great struggles against unemployment during the Hoover epoch of the Hungry Thirties.

Yet the steel workers' union officials paid some last-minute attention to the need. At the Homestead strike a sound truck appeared which played through a whole album of steel strike songs evidently composed for the emergency. One of them, to the tune of an old mountain blues, contained verses such as these:

"Gimme a glass of water, give my boss a bottle of wine,  
Ef I don't make more money, there's surely going to be hard times.



There's a ceiling on coal and a ceiling on hay,  
But there ain't no ceiling on my bosses' pay.

"I love my wife and I love my baby, too,  
I love my wife and I love my baby, too.  
Ef I don't make more money, I know what I'm gonna do.  
I'm gonna picket your factory until my shoes wear through."

THE first issue of People's Songs republishes, among other new songs, words and music of Roll the Union On, Vive La Quince Brigada, Solidarity Forever and Joe Hill's anti-sabbing lyrics.

I heard Roll the Union On in a Jefferson Chorus version played by another sound truck at the Western Union picket line here in New York. It had a strong, militant sound that inspired us, cold and wind-swept pickets, to sing along. Which is what a song should do—speed up the circulation of union blood, lift up the heart of strikers.

This song, Roll the Union On, came out of Commonwealth College, Arkansas, the bulletin reports. It was made up by farming people who came there to learn about trade unionism for the first time. It is a great "zipper" song, meaning you can put the name of anyone or anything you don't like in the verses, and then "roll it over them."

Vive La Quince Brigada is, of course, the Spanish song that our Lincoln Brigaders sang on many a bloody front in the opening battle of the anti-fascist world war. It has the true synagogue wall of Spanish cante honde (deep song).

Joe Hill, young Swedish American worker who was murdered by the state of Utah, was America's proletarian bard during the last World War. Joe's songs will never die, because they are true folk songs of the American people. Joe's verses about the scab engineer on the SP line who even scabbed on the angels in heaven have been out of print along with the IWW movement, but is reprinted in the Bulletin.

"A SONG is no good on a piece of paper; sing it, see how it sounds," advises the bulletin. One afternoon at a "jam session" of the group I heard Bernie Bell, just out of the army, sing the Boll Weevil song to his guitar, in a 1946 version, to satirize the housing situation, that was made up by the "Priority Ramblers," a trade union singing group of Washington, D. C.

"I answered an advertisement, went down in a great, big crowd  
Landlady said no dogs, no cats, no kids, no chickens or workmen allowed.

"The first time I saw my bedroom it just had a bed and chair;  
Next time I saw my bedroom there were five guys sleeping there."

## When Labor Sings It Fights Harder

One of the funniest and roughest song blasts I ever heard was the Rankin Tree song, written by Lee Hays and Walter Lowenfels. An allegory chanted by Lee Hays, the audience repeated each phrase after him.

"Well, I had a farm (audience: well, I had a farm), and on that farm (and on that farm) there was a tree—and the name of the tree—it was the Rankin Tree—it grew so big that it hid the sun—for miles around—poisoned everything in the ground—it poisoned my potatoes—it poisoned my squash—it mildewed all of my Monday wash."

You've got to hear big, dead-panned Lee Hays stand up like a shy moonshiner and boom out the Rankin Tree while a delighted audience howls responses to him. Never was better satire than when he cuts that Rankin Tree down with his axe and builds a fire and burns it "for kindlin' wood, and "that the only time that Rankin Tree ever did any good."

People's Songs, Inc. has for secretary the remarkable young folk musician Pete Seeger. It is going to do great things, I am sure. If you want songs written for your union, for your strike, for any situation, consult Pete and his cooperative of singers and composers. They will get up a song-book for you, put out an album of records for your group, train your chorus or lead your union in rousing song. Any musical problem they can handle. Vive la musica; Address People's Songs, Inc., 130 W. 42d St., New York City.

## Letters from Our Readers

### Gives Sen. Eastland A Lesson in Americanism

Manhattan, N. Y.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

I have just sent the following letter to Sen. James O. Eastland:

"I have read that you said in the Senate, Jan. 17, referring to FEPC, bill S-101, and the 600 delegates who visited Washington that day to demand action of FEPC, 'If this is an American measure it should be discussed

before Americans in the galleries.

And not before a group of Communists who come to Washington and attempt to stampede the Senate into destroying the Constitution.' If this is correctly reported, your assumption is that no American can be a Communist. I beg to differ.

"I am an American, directly descended from Elder William Brewster, who came to this country in the Mayflower and landed

on Plymouth Rock with the other Pilgrims.

"I am also a Communist, a member of the party.

"As a Communist and an American, I have no wish to destroy the Constitution. All my life I have supported the Constitution. Also I have worked to the best of my ability for the good of my country, my church and the struggling, toiling people of the world. "You, Sen. Eastland, are un-

doubtedly familiar with the Bible.

I am sure you remember a speech that a man named Paul once made standing on Mars' Hill, in Athens. And of course you recall his words (Acts XVII, 26), 'God... hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth.' Do you remember that, Sen. Eastland? Keep it in mind, please, when considering FEPC, bill S-101." MRS. MABEL R. WHITE.

### One Might Like Socialism If One Knew About It

South Haven, Mich.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

It still seems to me that we don't have half enough about socialism, and what it would mean here at home, in the columns of our paper.

There was a mighty valuable little book several years ago, Corliss Lamont's "You Might Like Socialism," but I understand this is now out of print. If so, it is high time it got back into print.

Speaking for myself, the most profound impression on my mind was made years ago by a little book called "News from Nowhere" by the English socialist, William Morris. I had read Bellamy's "Looking Backward" long before, a book which probably did more to popularize socialism than any other book, although of course Bellamy was not a socialist, and the book was utopian. Still this book and its sequel, "Equality," seem to me to give a very vivid picture of what, many years later, is taking concrete form in the Soviet Union. The effect of Bellamy's books was to reveal like a flash of lightning, what the good old "private enterprise" system does to make virtually impossible any kind of decent life for all.

How are we to sell our people on the idea of a socialist America if we hide our light under a bushel and let them learn the facts of life from the brass check press and the Whites, Thomases, Chamberlains, Lyonses, Eastmans and their kind? We really have something to sell. Let's SELL it!

A. E. A.

### Wants More Statements From the Editors

Manhattan, N. Y.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

Congratulations! "It's a Funny Thing," the Worker (of Jan. 20) really featured an article that can be read and understood by the workers. I was delighted about that piece of writing; in simple language it explains the class struggle.

Let's have more. And wouldn't it be a good idea to reprint it in leaflet form and distribute it amongst the strikers and union members?

I. HICHERBERGER

## Marxism and the Wage Struggle

### 5. Wages and the Capitalist Crisis

by Max Gordon

Knowing they are now producing far faster than before the war, workers in the industrial centers are fearful of future lay-offs and unemployment. As one Bethlehem steel striker at Lackawanna, N. Y., put it to me:

"We'll fight like hell for the 18½ cents an hour raise. But that isn't the whole answer. We're making steel too fast for peacetime and we're going to have to shut down a few months after we get back to work."

Well might the fear of irregular work in the future haunt the American working class. For, as Karl Marx showed long ago, unemployment and crises are inseparable from capitalism.

Why are crises and unemployment inevitable under the capitalist mode of production?

Earlier in this series we showed the following:

(1) All value is produced by labor and is measured by the average labor-time needed to produce it.

(2) The price of any commodity is based on its value, though it varies from it because of changes in supply and demand and because of the operations of monopoly. Increase in wages reduces profits, but does not raise prices.

(3) Wages are paid to the worker by the capitalist for use of his labor power. They are based on the value of that labor power; that is, on the value of the things the worker needs to consume in order to be able to work and to bring up his family.

Now get this. You sell your labor power to the boss for the entire day. The value you produce in that entire day belongs to him. But you do not have to work the entire day to reproduce what you and your family must consume.

If, for instance, you produce \$16 value in a full day's work, you can be sure you will need a lot less to reproduce your labor power. Hence your wages will be a lot less. Obviously, if you needed to consume \$16 worth in order to produce \$16 worth of goods, there would be no factory and no capitalists.

Eugene Varga, the famous Soviet economist, figured before the war that the American worker produced value equivalent to his wages in considerably less than half the working day. During the rest of the working day he produces surplus value, which the boss takes for himself.

During the war, the amount of surplus value extracted from the average worker rose rapidly because of the rise in the productivity of labor.

Let's suppose that all workers in America receive in wages a sum representing half the total value produced. With those wages they can consume only half of that total value.

What happens to the other half of the total value produced by the workers (and, we might add, the farmers and self-employed who are both workers and proprietors)? The capitalists who own that other half as surplus value can consume only a small fraction since they are only a tiny portion of the population.

Some of this surplus value goes back into production through the expansion of factories, machinery, etc. But that only aggravates the problem of finding markets for the unconsumed half because the surplus value extracted from each worker goes up with the introduction of labor-saving devices, speed-up, etc.—as we will show in a moment.

Some surplus value goes to the government in taxes. But a large part still remains unconsumed.

This unconsumed surplus value piles up in the form of goods that cannot be sold.

It does no good to say that some of it can be exported; first, because exports have always amounted to only a tiny proportion of the American production, and second because the ability of the bulk of the peoples abroad to absorb part of our surplus is increasingly limited by ruthless colonial exploitation.

Overproduction—the production by the workers of this ever-mounting surplus value that cannot be consumed—is the cause of the periodic economic crises under capitalism.

Now what happens when productivity goes up through speed-up and labor-saving devices?

Let us say it is doubled. The workers can now produce the things they consume not in four hours, as assumed before, but in two hours. But they still put in an eight-hour day. Therefore, the surplus labor-time, the time during which they produce surplus value appropriated by the boss, rises from four hours to six hours.

In the course of capitalist production, as factories and machinery have become bigger and better, the relative share of the worker in the value he produced has thus grown smaller while that of the employer—the surplus value—has grown greater. This has led to the ever-faster piling up of unconsumed goods and to bigger, deeper and more frequent crises.

The process has been aggravated by monopoly rigging of high prices far above their value. This has cut down sharply the workers' ability to consume, thereby hastening crises. And when a crisis does come, monopoly prolongs it by preventing prices from going down to their normal levels.

Tomorrow we will show that winning higher wages and greater social security helps to cushion and retard crises, but cannot prevent them under capitalism.

The Editors welcome your opinions and contributions to this page. Due to lack of space letters should be limited to 150 words so as to permit the printing of as many as possible.



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## A Solidarity Demonstration

EYE-BROW lifting, angry mutterings and threats, and sadly twisted logic are greeting New York CIO's announcement of a two-hour work stoppage on Monday. CIO purpose in calling the stoppage (in which all vital services like hospitals, transport, etc., are exempt) is simple, straightforward and patriotic.

It is a community demonstration of solidarity with the strikers in New York, especially the Western Union picket line which is getting a raw deal.

In calling a work stoppage, the New York CIO is merely demonstrating that it stands foursquare behind the wage-fight. It shows that it is wise to the conspiracy challenged by CIO leader Philip Murray, the conspiracy to wreck price control, cripple the unions and reduce wages.

### Patriotic to Fight Reaction

Such a demonstration is as patriotic as any other against reaction and economic attack.

Is it any less necessary to demonstrate against wage-cutters and injunction threats at home than against reaction abroad?

It is pretty insincere, logic of the press which decries such labor demonstrations of support for the wage-fight as "mixing economics with politics."

The trusts use their political power at every stage in their fight to deny labor its wage demands. They have their stooges and agents in Congress. They defy the administration and get away with it. They get injunctions from the courts.

If labor, in demonstrating its solidarity with the picket lines, is "mixing politics with economics" then such "politics" is in the interest of winning better wages and decent standards for American labor. As such, it is in the interest of the country as a whole.

The press thinks it perfectly "natural" for the corporations to "mix politics with economics."

### Only Labor 'Politics' Bad

It is only when labor begins to extend its unity to include more than one industry that the press begins to charge in dismay that labor is using "politics." As if politics is only for the corporations, not for labor, the majority of the country.

In demonstrating against the economic and political conspiracy of the trusts, CIO of New York is helping not only New York strikers, but also the entire country.

Its example could well be followed in other cities. In Stamford, the AFL and the community demonstrated together. In New York, the AFL has every interest in joining with their fellow-unionists against the union-busters and injunction-happy reactionaries.

An America which sees community demonstrations of solidarity with labor is an America which will be safe for decent living standards and democratic liberties.

An America which lacked such demonstrations would be in peril of reaction and economic disaster.

## Challenging Ancient Wrongs

A GROUP of solemn gents sitting in London read an article in the Soviet press.

The gents are the Anglo-American commission investigating Palestine.

Simply, the article asked the British and American investigators who ever gave them the right to determine the lives and fate of the Jews and Arabs in the Near East?

The implication was that maybe the Jewish people and the Arabs could determine their own fate without the help of their imperialist "betters."

Polish pogroms, killing helpless Jews and aimed at the Polish government as well, are traced to London, where the Polish anti-Semites still get plenty of support.

In Germany British and American officials are arming and feeding thousands of pogrom makers linked to Gen. Anders, enemy of Polish democracy.

Jews are arrested, shot down, drowned if they are caught trying to get into Palestine. And it is a social democratic Labor Party government that is carrying out the old blood-soaked imperialist line.

No wonder the Soviet Union's exposure of these ancient tyrannies and wrongs is shaking the world.

## A PRESENT FROM THE COURTS



## Truman and the Progressives

By ROBERT F. HALL

WASHINGTON

A MAGAZINE writer dropped into town the other day and asked about the status of relations between President Truman and the progressives.

"I understand the progressive Congressman and labor are supporting Truman now," he said. "A couple of months ago, they were wavering."

"Wait a minute," we said. "It was Truman who was wavering; not the progressives. If you find relations between Truman and the progressives slightly improved at the moment, it is because Truman is hewing a little closer to the progressive line."

It would not be incorrect to say that those relations are somewhat improved over early December when CIO President Philip Murray felt it necessary to go on the air and announce a break with the Administration.

Since then the President has made public demands on the corporations to accept the compromise wage proposals he put forward. In his message to Congress he urged price and rent control, higher wages and lower prices. Labor and the progressives agree with about 24 of the 26 items of his domestic program.

But the items which progressives oppose are not minor. They are opposed to his proposals for restrictions on the right to strike (the cooling-off business) which really opened the door for such a vicious anti-labor measure as the Case Bill.

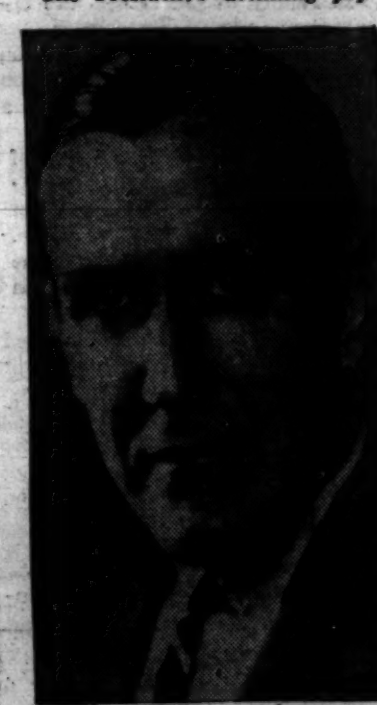
They are opposed to much of the Truman foreign policy, which is pervaded by American imperialist aims. Any official returning from Germany can tell you, for example, how the Potsdam agreement is daily being flouted in order to rebuild a strong Germany as a spearhead against the Soviet Union.

DEEDS STILL LAG

And there is always that wide discrepancy between the word

and the deed. Mr. Truman is happy to be quoted as favoring FEPC. But we have yet to hear of the President getting on the phone and telling Sen. Joe Bloke that he wants a vote on FEPC and wants it now.

The President's declining pop-



CHESTER BOWLES

ularity has Bob Hannegan, chairman of the Democratic Party worried. Hannegan is no crusading liberal. But he has watched the shift of labor, progressives, the Negro people, and the farmers away from the Truman banner. He has not failed to notice the little item of two million workers

on strike. He knows that the solidarity and militancy of the picket line can be carried over into political action.

Hannegan, therefore, has backed up Price Administrator Bowles in holding the line on prices. He has urged the President to pressure the corporation on the wage issue. He has even pulled a few strings for FEPC and hopes to kill the Case bill. He has done all this because it is politically expedient.

We therefore cannot agree with those gentlemen in the CIO who contend that Truman's conditional support of the union in the wage issue proves that Murray was wrong to blast the President last December.

### LABOR'S STRENGTH

We are more inclined to the opinion that the support labor received from the Administration came as a result of labor's independence and labor's strength. Labor showed its independence when Murray made his now famous radio speech. It is showing its strength in the spirit and solidarity of two million striking workers.

Labor and the progressives can win more of their demands if they make it clear to the Administration that carrying out this program is the politically expedient thing to do. They must show that it is expedient because it has the support of the American people.

This is the real key to the relationship between Mr. Truman and the progressives.

## Worth Repeating

Stalin writing on revolutionary theory in Foundations of Leninism says: "Revolutionary theory is the generalization of the experiences of the labor movement in all countries. It naturally loses its very essence if it is not connected with revolutionary practice, just as practice gropes in the dark if its path is not illuminated by revolutionary theory. But theory can become the greatest force in the labor movement if it is indissolubly bound up with revolutionary practice, for it alone can give to the movement confidence, guidance, strength and understanding of the inner relations between events; it alone can help practice to clarify the process and direction of class movements in the present and near future."



# New Greek Foreign Minister Was Quisling During Nazi Occupation

The new foreign minister of Greece, Constantine Rendis, now representing his reactionary government at the UNO conference in London, was an active collaborator with German and Italian fascism, it was revealed yesterday.

According to Allied Labor News, which quotes the Greek News Agency in London, this Rendis was an intimate of a certain Tavoularis, the quisling minister of interior

during the German occupation.

He was also a close pal of Col. Marcell, the chief of staff of Mussolini's Eighth Army Corps in western Greece.

He is also cited as having written for the fascist weekly *Quadrivio*.

Yet this character, representing a government which Britain defends as "democratic," is now in charge of the Greek delegation at the UNO.

Rendis is the man who replaced the former

foreign minister, John Sofianopoulos, when the latter declined to be a British catspaw in the current battle against the Soviet Union at the UNO Security Council.

Sofianopoulos resigned last week, charging that the present government—backed by British troops—is not carrying out the promised amnesty, capitulates before the extreme right wing and cannot be trusted to carry through the March 31 election fairly.

## Hillman Saw No Gags on Opinion In Soviet Zone

Sidney Hillman, CIO leader, now touring Germany as head of a delegation from the World Federation of Trade Unions, saw no evidence of suppression of opinion in the Soviet zone, it was disclosed yesterday.

Edward P. Morgan of the Chicago Daily News puts it this way:

"After reading certain newspaper reports about the atmosphere in the Russian zone, Hillman said he was very much impressed with the freedom given the delegation."

# USSR President Exposes Blum's, Bevin's 'Democracy'

MOSCOW, Feb. 6 (UP).—President Mikhail Kalinin, of the USSR, lashed out today at Socialists and Social Democrats in France, Germany and many other countries, declaring in an article in the magazine

*Boishevik* that they falsely professed devotion to democracy.

In the magazine, which is the organ of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, Kalinin reviewed Lenin's bitter campaign against German, French, Belgian and British Socialists and added: "It would be naive to dream that all this is relegated to the past."

"No, unfortunately, the traditions of the Vanderveldes, the Ramsey MacDonalds, etc., are not only alive but have resumed activity with new force in this transitional period between war and peace," he wrote.

Kalinin specifically mentioned Leon Blum's French Socialists and German Socialists like Friedrich Stampfer.

He denounced Blum's followers as "reactionary Socialists who are doing their utmost to hinder the growing influence of the French Communist Party and consolidation of the French working class on a new democratic foundation."

"The reactionary clique of French Socialists actually are aiding to restore French imperialism to its former position," he wrote. "This naturally is being done under the banner of socialism and democracy."

"Such a picture can be observed



PRESIDENT KALININ Nails Social Democrats

not only in France but in many foreign countries boasting more than enough 'friends of the people.'

"We can boldly say that more than 80 percent of such false friends of the people deliberately screen themselves behind the flags of democracy and socialism so as to carry out their reactionary policy more easily."

Kalinin said that the German Social Democrats "of old vintage," like German capitalists, are trying to revive "militarism and plunderous imperialism."

## China, USSR In New Talks

CHUNGKING, Feb. 6 (UP).—A Chinese Government spokesman disclosed today that new negotiations have been opened with the Soviet Union through diplomatic channels on the withdrawal of Soviet forces from Manchuria.

The Soviets originally intended to evacuate Manchuria three months after the Japanese surrender, but the withdrawal was extended twice at the request of the Chinese.

The latest evacuation date was established for Feb. 1, but the spokesman said the bulk of the Soviet forces still are in Manchuria, presumably because of transportation difficulties during the bitter Manchurian winter.

Recent Communist reports from Manchuria have said Soviet evacuation now has been further delayed until March 1.

Progress was reported today in organization of a new broadened interim government to serve China until a constitution is adopted.

until a constitution is adopted, the Communist Party may be granted eight seats of the policy-making state council, around which the new Government will be formed.

The paper reported the Democratic League may receive six seats, leaving six others to be distributed among other parties. During the recent Political Consultative Council, it was agreed the 45-man State Council would be composed of 20 Government Kuomintang Party members, 20 other party members and five other members holding office ex-officio.

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## Wallace, Pepper Warn On Anti-Soviet Talk

Alarms against anti-Soviet incitement were sounded by political voices yesterday. Better relations with the USSR were also urged.

Two of them, Sen. Claude Pepper (D-Fla.) and Secretary of Commerce, Henry A. Wallace, urged closer relations at a dinner of the American Society for Russian Relief.

Pepper disclosed an interview with Marshal Stalin last summer in which the Soviet leader emphasized that aggression upon the United States was "impossible."

Stalin was quoted as saying: "The Russian people are tired. They have suffered more than you will ever know. We couldn't take the people to war even if we wanted to."

Henry Wallace proposed a "friendly competition with Russia," according to United Press, and called for sharing atomic knowledge with the world.

At the same time, the former Republican senator from Massachusetts, Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., had some interesting things to say about Soviet-American relations as quoted yesterday in the N. Y. Herald-Tribune.

Lodge, who is a young hopeful for the GOP nomination and faces stiff competition from Harold Stassen, said that anti-Soviet talk in

the last few months "has grown to proportions which to me seem dangerous."

"We want peace with them (the Russians) and I'm convinced that they want peace with us. We do not compete with each other—unless you see a competition in the realm of political ideas. There is no place today where our truly vital interests touch. Why not face all these things frankly? Why not recognize that vituperation defeats its own purpose?" Lodge asked.

His plea for American-Soviet amity, which he called "better than chaos," was made on Feb. 4 to a Foreign Policy Ass'n dinner in Minneapolis.

The Herald-Tribune recommended Lodge's position to the Republican Party in an accompanying editorial.

## LaGuardia on Way From Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 6 (UP).—Former New York mayor Fiorello LaGuardia took off today on his return trip to the United States after representing President Harry S. Truman at the inauguration of President Eurico Gaspar Dutra here last week.

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RATES: What's On notices for the Daily and The Worker are 25c per line (6 words to a line—3 lines minimum).

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### Tonight Manhattan

ARTIST'S LEAGUE OF AMERICA, Studio Workshop, 71, Fifth Ave. 7-10 p.m. Painting class—life model—instructor.

THE N. Y. COUNTY C.P. Veterans Reorientation Class takes place tonight, Thursday, February 7, 8 p.m. in the Henry Forbes Auditorium, 35 E. 12 St., 3rd floor. Martin Young will lead a discussion on "Economic Perspectives and the Strike Wave."

### Tomorrow Manhattan

DAILY WORKER Unit of Amer. News Guild invites you to dance with them for the CIO Strike Fund, Fri. eve., Feb. 8th at Club 65, 13 Astor Place, Two floors. Lee Norman and his orch. Adm. \$1.20.

"THE GREAT CONSPIRACY," a review by Harold Collins of the new and sig-

cant book by Sayers and Kahn (a record of 28 years of anti-Sovietism in America) in the light of the current world situation, Jefferson School, 575 6th Ave., cor. 18th St., at 8:45 p.m. 50c.

FORUM IN DEMOBILIZATION—Councilman Eugene Connelly—others—entertainment; admission free. Joan of Arc Community Center, 154 W. 93 St., Tom Paine Club, A.Y.D.

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# Denikin, Dubinskyites Ally Here

## Pogromist Lauds 'Forward' Plea For Armed Attack on USSR

Former Czarist generals, who haven't given up the hope of overthrowing the Soviet Union, are now in an open and complete alliance with anti-Soviet Social-Democrats, it was revealed yesterday.

The touching friendship between Anton Denikin, one of the Czar's favorite murderers, and Raphael Abramowitch, a Russian-Jewish Soviet-hater who writes regularly for the New Leader and the Jewish Daily Forward, was disclosed by Denikin himself.

The Czarist general, responsible for the murder of thousands of Jews and Ukrainians in his British-financed campaigns of 1919 spoke at Manhattan Center on Tuesday night.

He praised Raphael Abramowitch because he was among the few Social-Democrats who favored "a struggle against the Soviet Union with arms in hand."

On the same day, in the Jewish Daily Forward (which is supported primarily by David Dubinsky's clique in the International Ladies Garment Workers Union) Abramowitch proposed a bloc of nations in western Europe directed against Soviet Russia.

### WHITEWASH POGROMIST

On Jan. 18, the Jewish Daily Forward had carried an article whitewashing Denikin for the pogroms against Ukrainian Jews in 1919.

"The question arises: Did Gen. Denikin organize those pogroms?" the Forward writer asks rhetorically. "The answer is No," he continues.

In the same week, the Forward had given Denikin space to present his views in the interests of "free speech."

The reason for this moving marriage was indicated by the

Czarist general himself in a report to 500 members of the Czarist colony here.

He bemoaned the fact that the French democratic government is "persecuting" anti-Soviet Russians. But even more bitter is the fact that many former White Guards were sympathetic to the Soviet Union.

### BRITISH PROVIDED TRAVEL

Denikin arrived in this country early in December—through courtesy of somebody in the State Department—after the British Labor government got him a special suite on the Queen Elizabeth.

After 20 years in France, right through the Vichy period, Denikin found the new French democracy making things "hot" for him. Britain and the United States are evidently more congenial.

The former Czarist general is reliably reported to be in touch with elements of the old Polish government in exile, as well as remnants of the Ukrainian fascists. And he is believed to be getting funds from wealthy Britons, perhaps even the British government itself.

At the Tuesday night meeting, which brought out a good section of the police force, Denikin was picketed by members of the American Russian Fraternal Society, IWO.

They carried posters saying: "Expel Denikin—Murder of Jews"; "Why was Denikin Admitted to the U. S. A."; "We Demand Denikin's Expulsion."

## AFL Cafeteria Workers and Musicians Aid CIO Strikers

AFL musicians and cafeteria workers yesterday initiated campaigns to raise funds for striking workers "whatever their affiliation."

Cafeteria Employees Union, Local 302, AFL, took the lead, donating \$1,000 to striking CIO General Motors workers and \$250 to those on the Western Union picket line.

At the same time the executive board of Musicians Local 802, largest in the AFL, adopted a resolution of support to all strikers and began a fund-raising campaign for the strikes in all of the city's orchestras.

Jack Rosenberg, president of 802, made a speech to the union's membership yesterday stressing the need for support of strikes now in progress. A mass collection was taken up after he spoke.

The action of 802's executive followed on a petition signed by 1,400 members of the union and submit-

ted to the leadership, urging support to the strikes.

The cafeteria workers' donation to the CIO strikers was made in a spirit of solidarity and with the realization, as 302's secretary, Joseph Fox, declared, "that strikers have no affiliation, that when workers are on strike, regardless of whether they are AFL or CIO, it affects all other workers in all other industries."

The contribution to General Motors was given through the Trade Union Committee for support of General Motors strike.

In addition to giving money to the Western Union strikers, Local 302 has contributed a large amount of provisions for the Frankfort St. commissary at 11 Frankfort St. A delegation from 302 also carried 4,000 sandwiches to the strikers on the picket line yesterday.

## Thousands at Brooklyn Navy Yard Given 'Forced' Vacations

A forerunner of mass layoffs at the Brooklyn Navy Yard occurred this week when thousands of workers were given enforced vacations.

The majority forced to take "vacations" were war appointees who did not have days coming. Many will be without pay.

Capt. Hubbell, personnel officer at the Yard told representatives of Local 137, United Federal Workers, CIO, that an emergency cut in the budget necessitated the vacations until a "retention register" could be established.

Hubbell estimated that approximately 12,000 industrial workers and 25 percent of the clerical staff would be laid off beginning Feb. 15.

The enforced vacations were in direct violation of the assurance given the union by Adm. Crisp, chief of Shore Establishments in Washington, who had promised that any such enforced vacations would be given to employees with more than 25 days of accrued annual leave.

### UNO Elects Judges For World Court

LONDON, Feb. 6 (UPI).—Green H. Hackworth, of Washington, legal adviser to the U. S. State Department since 1931, today was elected to the new 15-member International Court of Justice established under the United Nations charter.

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**SAN JUAN, P. R., Feb. 6 (UP). — Brooklyn Dodgers outfielder Luis Olmo said yesterday he definitely would consider playing baseball in Mexico this season.**

Hausmann, regular second baseman during the war, hit .379 last year. Mize hit .305 in 1942 after being obtained from the St. Louis Cardinals but went with the colors the next year.

3:00-WEAF-The Guiding Light  
WOR-Easy Aces-Sketch  
WJZ-John H. Kennedy  
WABC-Second Mrs. Burton  
WQXR-News; Music  
3:15-WEAF-Today's Children-Sketch  
WOR-Monaghan, Record-Man  
WJZ-Ethel and Albert  
WABC-Perry Mason-Sketch  
3:30-WEAF-Woman in White  
WOR-Queen for a Day  
WJZ-Bride and Groom  
WABC-Rosemary-Sketch  
WQXR-Concert Orchestra  
3:45-WEAF-Masquerade-Sketch  
WABC-Tena and Tim  
3:00-WEAF-A Woman of America  
WOR-Martha Deane Program  
WJZ-Al Pearce Show  
WABC-Time to Remember  
WQXR-News; Request Music  
3:15-WEAF-Ma Perkins  
WABC-This Is New York  
3:30-WEAF-Pepper Young  
WOR-John Gambling, News  
WJZ-Ladira, Be Seated  
3:45-WEAF-Right to Happiness  
WABC-Landl Trio, Songs  
4:00-WEAF-Backstage Whiz  
WOR-Betty Huggins Quiz  
WJZ-Jack Berch Elow  
WABC-House Party  
WMCA-News; Western Songs  
WQXR-News; Symphonic Matinee  
4:15-WEAF-tella Dallas  
WJZ-The Fitzgeralds  
4:30-WEAF-Lorenzo Jones  
WOR-Ask Dr. Eddy  
WJZ-Shelley Myers  
WABC-Gordon MacRae; Songs  
WMCA-News; Music  
4:45-WEAF-Young Wilder Brown

Each team will start four players who opened last year's game, which the Irish won 66-60 after a 42-25 bulge at halftime. The four Irish holdovers are Boryla, Dee, Hassett and Gilhooley. The fifth starter

**6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.**

**6:30-WRAP** News Reports  
WOR—Paul Schubert  
WJZ—News Reports  
WABC—World News  
WMCA—News; Talks  
WQXR—News; Music to Remember

**6:35-WJZ**—Kiernan's News Corner

**6:45-WRAP**—Serenade to America  
WOR—Man on the Street  
WJZ—Here's Morgan  
WABC—Fred Clayton, Songs

**6:50-WOR**—Fred Vandeventer, News  
WJZ—News; Sports Talk  
WABC—Encore Appearance  
WMCA—Racing Results

**6:40-WRAP** Sports—Bill Stern

**6:45-WRAP**—Lowell Thomas  
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax  
WJZ—Cal Tinney  
WABC—The World Today—News

**7:00-WRAP**—Supper Club, Variety  
WOR—Frankie Laine, Jr.  
WJZ—Headline Edition  
WABC—Jack Kirkwood Show  
WQXR—Lisa Sergio, News

**7:15-WRAP**—News of the World  
WOR—The Answer Man  
WJZ—Raymond Swing  
WABC—Jack Smith Show  
WMCA—Five-Star Final  
WQXR—Encore Music

**7:30-WRAP**—Bob Burns Comedy  
WOR—Arthur Hays Sulzberger  
WJZ—Professor Quiz (Prem.)  
WABC—Mr. Kern—Play  
WMCA—Jr. Raymond Walsh  
WQXR—Spotlight Music

See — **HARRY KAUFMAN**  
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St. John's Redmen will have a tuneup against Boston College tonight in the Boston Garden, prior to its Monday return meeting at Madison Square Garden against Temple.

9:00-WEAF—Music Hall  
WOR—Gabriel Heatter  
WABC—Kostelanets Orchestra;  
Lanny Ross, Tenor  
WMCA—News; Labor Arbitration  
WQXR—Worldwide News Review  
9:15-WOR—Real Life Stories  
WQXR—Salon de Musique  
9:30-WEAF—Jack Haley Show  
WOR—Treasure Hour of Song  
WJZ—Detect and Collect—Gail  
WABC—Hobby Lobby  
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9:55-WJZ—News Reports  
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# Ben Field's 'Piper Tompkins'

— by Samuel Sillen —

**B**EN FIELD hits his major stride as a novelist in *Piper Tompkins* (Doubleday, \$2.50). This novel, published today, shows a steady maturing of the fine talent revealed in Field's earlier books, *The Cock's Funeral* and *The Outside Leaf*. After the long drought of good fiction about the working class, *Piper Tompkins* comes as a blessing.

The main theme of the novel is the development of the title-character from an individualistic farm youth to a union-conscious machinist. Piper leaves his father's farm to take a job in a Hartford factory shortly before Pearl Harbor. A head-strong young man, who had always settled his grievances single-handed, he rejects the union at first and becomes an unwitting tool of the anti-Semitic, anti-Negro plant superintendent. The change in Piper, resulting from his experience with other workers, is the substance of the story.

The theme lends itself to a study of the American worker in World War II, and I can think of no other novel that has given us the vivid picture of war workers presented here. It is indeed high time that the workers were shown as heroes of the war even though they wore no uniforms. Field reminds us of their production achievement at the same time that he depicts the underlying conflict between the workers and the owners that has since flared into a series of great strike struggles.

Piper learns the meaning of trade unionism through experience. He learns it as he finds himself being used as a company stooge pitted against other workers. He learns it as he sees a Negro woman worker mangled by a machine for which no guard has been provided.

And he learns it from the shop steward, Scotty, a class-conscious worker who really feels the anti-fascist war deep in his bones.

Scotty reads this newspaper: "They were fresh copies of *The Worker*, Scotty's Old Testament and

New Testament, his scratch sheet for the human race, a handy manual and guide for longing. He was not on the upper beam, not as lucky as Scotty, who could find in such earnest pages help for the most trifling as well as the most momentous problems of his life."

**W**HAT strikes you especially in Field's novel is his ability, so rarely to be found in contemporary American fiction, to give you the feel of work in a factory. This is not second-hand reporting. Nor is it romanticism. Field seems to get you inside a shop, throw you up against its routine, the conflict with "management," the worker's pride of craft, his growing sense of solidarity with his fellow-workers, Negro and white, Italian, Irish and Jewish American.

And this achievement is combined with a fresh sense of the farm life out of which Piper comes and which remains in his consciousness as an industrial worker.

The farm image contributes to the robust earthiness of the novel. There is great energy here, a healthiness and joy of living which gets us away from the too conventional portrait of the American worker as a man whose spirit has been broken by poverty and anxiety, a sapless, joyless drudge. And it is good to read one novel about the workers in which the love-interest, here involving Piper and Scotty's daughter Lucy, is developed with no apology and self-consciousness.

Ben Field has not quite succeeded, however, in getting us inside his main character. The conflict between the individualist and the class-conscious worker in *Piper Tompkins* is too external; it is not developed sufficiently in terms of his own mind. The character does not register as successfully as some of the lesser characters, like Scotty or Piper's mother or Piper's old farm hand Hank.

I found the book absorbing from start to finish. Written in a style that is compact, concrete, direct, it has a swift narrative tempo. With his expressive use of imagery, which gives the book a poetic lift, Ben Field moves away from the bleak literalism that characterized so much proletarian fiction of the '30s.

I shall return to *Piper Tompkins* in an early issue of *The Worker*.



## Film Front

### Unlimited Film Time for Sex, Murder; 3 Minutes for Truth

— by David Platt —

**T**HE film industry is about to release a 3-minute trailer for American Brotherhood Week Feb. 16-24. . . . It stars Ingrid Bergman, Eddie Cantor, Katharine Hepburn, Van Johnson. Also Jennifer Jones, Walter Pidgeon, Edward G. Robinson, James Stewart, Shirley Temple. . . .

That's the picture business for you—three minutes for brotherhood—365 days for everything else but . . . million dollar productions for trash like *Saratoga Trunk*, *Getting Gertie's Garter* and *Men in Herk*. . . . trailers for brotherhood, justice and peace . . . all the time in the world for murder and sex . . . only three minutes for truth . . . how can they spare it?

The other day, Tom O'Brien, who represents Nottingham labor in the British Parliament, sent an electric shock through England's commercial film industry when he elected that state control of entertainment was "by no means an impracticability." He added: "It would largely depend on the way the industry's leaders behaved in the next five years." In view of the irresponsible behavior in these critical times of our own movie mikados, perhaps it would not be amiss for progressives here to raise the issue of public control of film production and distribution. I would like to be sitting in Louis B. Mayer's office when all the implications of this "fearful" thought strikes his brilliant mind.



Katya (Nastenka Zashipina) and Nastenka (Nina Ivanova) in a scene from *Once There Was a Girl*, new Soviet film story of Lenin's children during the siege, which starts its downtown run at the Irving Place Theatre today (Thursday). The two children forget they're cold and hungry as they plan a wardrobe for their favorite doll. The co-feature is the famous English film *Three on a Weekend*.

## Symphonic Work By 12-Year-Old

A composition written by a California youth when he was 12 years old, will be featured on the Symphonies for Youth program over WJZ-ABC on Saturday, Feb. 16, from 1 to 1:45 p.m., EST. Titled *The Misbehaving Clock*, the work was composed by Edward Earle, now 15.

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## U.S. Minister to Liberia to Speak At Carver School

Dr. R. O'Hara Lanier, newly appointed United States Minister to Liberia and an executive officer of UNRRA, will be the featured speaker at the annual Negro History Week program to be presented by the George Washington Carver School, at Elk's Auditorium, 15 W. 126 St., Feb. 10, at 3 P.M.

The program will also present Gwendolyn Bennett, Director of the George Washington Carver School, Dr. Doxey Wilkerson, General Manager of "The People's Voice," and author of a report on "Special Problems of Negro Education" for the late President Roosevelt's Advisory Committee on Education, Dr. Howard Selsam, Director of the Jefferson School.

Tickets for this symposium honoring Negro History Week, are available at the Carver School, 57 W. 125 St. Admission is 25c.

## Tomorrow: 'Worker' Dance for Strikers

A dance to aid the CIO Strike Fund will be held tomorrow (Friday) evening at Club 65, 13 Astor Place, under the auspices of the Daily Worker Unit of the American Newspaper Guild. Stage for Action will present Picket Line Follies. Lee Norman and his orchestra will provide

vide music for dancing. Admission \$1.20.

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# Runaway Prices Seen in Cabinet Parley

By ROB F. HALL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—If President Truman's new wage and price policy, which he is expected to announce tomorrow, turns out to be a general increase in prices, it will meet with widespread opposition in labor and consumer circles, it was indicated here today.

On the Senate floor yesterday, Sen. Joseph F. Guffey (D-Pa.) charged that the strikes in steel, auto and other industries were part of a "planned campaign on the part of the greatest and wealthiest cor-

porations on America to hold up the the American people for exorbitant price increases."

Others are putting it more bluntly. They call it blackmail by the corporations. If the new Administration policy is, as generally reported, a policy of upping prices it will be

seen as a victory for the blackmail methods of the trusts.

Administration circles are hopeful that any price increases will be accepted by labor as necessary to secure corporation agreement to the wage raises recommended by the President and the fact finding boards. But the President and a number of government agencies long ago pointed out that the wage increases demanded could be granted without price increases.

This new policy will mean a glaring departure from the principles enunciated by Truman in his message to Congress last month. At that

time the President urged higher wages and lower prices and emphasized that business was well able to grant both.

## Reveal Big Steel and CIO Meet Secretly

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Representatives of U. S. Steel Corp. and United Steelworkers (CIO) have been meeting in secret sessions here and consulting with government officials in an effort to settle the 17-day-old steel strike by this weekend, it was revealed tonight.

The meeting and consultations were confirmed by sources close to the industry and government.

## British Let Germans Keep Arms, Molotov Warns

LONDON, Feb. 6 (UP).—Russian Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov today denounced "dangerous talk of a third world war" which he said was being encouraged while hundreds of thousands of anti-Russian troops were maintained in Germany, Italy and Austria.

In a speech broadcast by radio Moscow, Molotov said that Russia is very watchful of "possible hotbeds of peace disturbers and intrigues against international security" and that everything necessary will be done to make the Red Army as good as the armies of other countries.

He pointed especially to "hundreds of thousands" of German troops in the British zone of Germany, "tens of thousands" of Polish troops in Italy and "White Russian rifle corps" in Austria as possible threats to international security.

Molotov said: "Should one, for instance, ignore such facts as when in the zone administered by one of our allies under one guise or another hundreds of thousands of German soldiers of the smashed Hitlerite army are being kept?"

(This, apparently, was a reference to the situation in the British occupation zone in Germany.)

"Here is another fact: In Italy at the present moment, at the cost of the allies, tens of thousands of troops of the Polish fascist Gen. (Wladislaw) Anders are being kept. Gen. Anders is notorious for his hatred of the Soviet Union and for his preparedness for all sorts of adventures directed against the new democratic Poland.

"These facts cannot by any means be reconciled with the interest of peace and security of the nations."

## Report Phony Compromise May End FEPC Filibuster

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Southern Democrats were reported tonight to have accepted a "compromise" to end the filibuster by permitting the Senate to vote on closing the debate. It was understood that the Senate would then virtually table the bill for a permanent FEPC by moving up another bill for immediate consideration.

By VIRGINIA GARDNER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The Senate, careful not to overture the filibustering Democrats, today adjourned extra early so that the southerners might hold a caucus on strategy.

Reports were insistent that leading Republicans and Southern Democrats were being pressed to allow the cloture petition to be introduced tomorrow and voted on Saturday.

The plan then would be to displace the bill with the Independent Offices Appropriation Bill. This would accomplish the same result as tabling the bill and be less open. A majority vote would be required. Meanwhile Sen. Wayne B. Morse

(R-Ore), only one to vote "no" as he does daily on the move to adjourn, complicated the fight for S. 101 by introducing his substitute FEPC bill.

The Morse bill would provide for a Fair Employment Practices Commission but would place a duty on the commission to proceed in the courts to obtain an injunction in non-compliance cases.

Critics of the Morse bill say that it would make it possible for District Courts over the country to disregard the findings of the commission and place their own construction on the evidence. It would, they say, be a move away from the trend of recent years toward administrative functioning

and provide an opening wedge for amending the Wagner Act.

Asked if his bill contained a provision under which an employer could fire a worker for being a Communist, Sen. Morse said "that is ridiculous." There was "no such intent" in the bill, he said.

Nevertheless, the United Press Washington city news service reported that the Morse bill made it clear that employers would be allowed to discharge employees if they were Communists.

Sen. James Mead (D-NY), was in charge of S. 101 throughout the afternoon when Sen. Dennis Chavez (D-NM) was ordered to bed by his physician.

Meanwhile, Republican whip Kenneth Wherry (Neb.), and others were expressing regret that yesterday's GOP caucus failed to surrender to the filibuster by completely voting to recommit the FEPC bill.

All the Republicans could agree to was not to drop consideration of FEPC—until the cloture petition is put to a vote.

## Camardo's Boys Get a 4-Year Lease on a Brooklyn ILA Local

The writer of the following letter is a member of Local 895, International Longshoremen's Association. Last week, in a letter to the Daily Worker, he told of the way in which the corrupt Ryan machine keeps Local 895's members subdued. Today he is giving us the dirt on ILA Local 327, describing how the same machine outlaws democracy in that local.

Dear Mr. Editor:

Accept my thanks and appreciation for printing my letter in your paper of last Thursday. I passed it around to the boys and they all got a big kick out of it.

### Philly Transport Strike Set for Sunday

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 6.—This city will be tied up in a transit strike one minute after midnight this Sunday.

That was the word flashed throughout the city today after the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. refused demands of the CIO Transport Workers for a \$2 a day wage increase.

Last Sunday I ran into a friend of mine who is a member of Local 327, International Longshoremen's Association, in Brooklyn, and sure enough, he told me about the elections in his union, so I'm sending the information on to you.

Late in December a meeting was called in Local 327 to nominate officers. A leaflet passed out to the men said clearly that it was a "nominations meeting."

When the men got to the meeting they found Mr. Moriarti, first international vice-president, in the chair. The meeting was small and well stacked with delegate Cam-

ardo's boys.

Mr. Moriarti immediately gave the floor to one of his henchmen who moved to elect the present officers (the Camardo family) for four years. Moriarti refused to permit any nominations from the floor and illegally railroaded the motion through to elect Camardo and his friends for four years.

Several officers, including the president of the local, pleaded that they didn't want to be elected for four years, but Moriarti paid no attention to them, so now the men in 327 are stuck with the Camardo boys.

That's another example of how Joe Ryan runs the show in our union.

A MEMBER OF LOCAL 895.

P.S.—Here's a good one. Local 791 in Chelsea elected the janitor for life. If Joe Ryan can do it, why not the janitor?

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## House Voice Vote Backs Case Bill; Delay Roll Call

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The House, by a voice vote of 197 to 115, agreed tonight to approve the Case anti-labor bill. The action, however, was made subject to a later roll-call vote.

The House defeated amendments which would have removed provisions calling for a 30-day pre-strike cooling-off period and denying courts power to enjoin strike violence, pickets and property seizure. The bill would:

1.—Make unions and companies liable in the courts for violation of labor-management contracts.

2.—Fix a 30-day "cooling-off" period before strikes may be called.

3.—Set up a six-man Mediation Board. The board would not have power to examine Internal Revenue

Bureau Records to determine a company's financial status.

4.—Ban "violence during picketing."

5.—Ban union boycotts whereby employees might refuse to handle a manufacturer's or farmer's product to force him to comply with a union's demands.

6.—Ban foremen's unions.

—The House adjourned at 5:27 p.m., almost immediately after Rep. Clare Hoffman (R-Mich) demanded the reading of the "engrossed bill." This delayed a final vote until at least tomorrow.

## Hold Up Decision on Wire Strike Injunction Until Saturday

Supreme Court Justice Aaron Levy yesterday reserved decision on Western Union's application for an injunction against mass picketing. Final decision is expected Saturday afternoon after attorneys for the CIO Communications Association and the company submit summarizing briefs.

As the 5-day hearing wound up late yesterday, attorneys for the strikers, Samuel Newburger and Victor Rabinowitz, got in some legal body blows against Western Union. Attempts to whittle picketing down to almost nothing by setting a dangerous precedent in the city were stymied.

The union called Max Meyer, former impartial arbitrator in the dispute, to the stand. Mr. Meyer ripped apart testimony by Western Union vice president Ralph Kimball who had denied an oral agreement to arbitrate the dispute. Meyer said

Kimball had made such a proposal and had later reneged. Second important witness was union president Joseph Selly who reiterated that the strikers have been willing throughout the negotiations to arbitrate. But he said they had refused a biased decision handed down by the National War Labor Board which upset a Regional War Labor Board decision, shaving \$6,000,000 from pay increases and retroactive pay.

At the windup of the hearing, Justice Levy invited both sides into his private chambers. The group remained there for more than two hours. Justice Levy told reporters after the conference, "This is a very serious effort on the part of the court to bring these folks to conciliation. But as the court doesn't wish to prejudice either party to the suit it prefers in the moment to say no more."

## C. P. Nat'l Board Asks Browder Expulsion

(Continued from Page 2)

ogy and influence out of the working-class movement.

Our Party and its leadership have resolutely and honestly worked to rectify our previous mistakes and our former erroneous political line. Our Party has been reorganized and strengthened by the action of the National Convention and by the subsequent development of the Party's political line in the November meeting of the National Committee. It is today in the process of consolidation after passing through the great crisis precipitated under the leadership of Browder. In breaking with Browder's revisionist and liquidationist policies which were destroying the moral-political fibre of our Communist organization, the Party, revitalized with the principles of Marxism-

Leninism, is today increasingly coming forward with deepened power and clarity to bring the principles of Marxism-Leninism to guide the working class in the course of the epic struggles it is now waging.

By carrying on with strengthened determination an uncompromising fight against Browderism, against opportunism as well as Left sectarianism, and all traces of enemy class ideology, the Communist Party as well as the entire working-class movement will equip itself to meet the great tasks of today and tomorrow.

(Signed) NATIONAL BOARD  
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